setting up of a permanent Bench of High Court at Dibrugarh as the place being a centrally situated city in upper Assam and also easily accessible to a large part of Arunachal Pradesh; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (d) Representations have been received from the Dibrugarh Bar Association, the Dibrugarh Nagrik Sangha, the All Assam Lawyers' Association and the Eastern Assam Chamber of Commerce and Industry, etc. for establishing a Bench of Guwahati High Court at Dibrugarh.

Section 31(3) of the North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) Act, 1971 empowers the Chief Justice of Guwahati High Court to order, with the approval of the Governor of Assam, Sittings of Judges and Division Courts of the High Court at Dibrugarh. According to Section 31(2) of the Act, the President may, after consultation with the Chief Justice of the Guwahati High Court and the Governor of Assam, establish a permanent bench of the High Court at Dibrugarh.

There is no proposal for setting up of a permanent Bench of the Gawahati High Court at Dibrugarh, as no such proposal has been received from the Government of Assam. Infact, the State Government intimated vide their letter dated 4-2-92 that the High Court had not found it suitable to establish a permanent Bench of the High Court at Dibrugarh.

It has been decided to set up a Bench of Guwahati High Court at Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh.

Pending cases before Guwahati High Court

4329. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of pending cases with district-wise breakup before the Guwahati High Court at present;

(b) the names of present benches of the said High Court stating the respective dates when they were established and the details of pending cases before each such bench at present;

(c) the names of the present judges of the said High Court stating the respective dates on which they assumed office along with the dates of their retirement;

(d) whether all the vacant posts of Judges in the said High Court have been filled up; if not, the number of posts lying vacant at present and the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when Government proposes to fill up the vacant posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) As per the available information, 23,301 cases were pending in the Guwahati High Court as on 31-12-1992. District-wise information is not available.

(b) and (c) The requisite information is given in the attached Statement (*See* below).

Statement

(b) Names of the present Benches of the Guwahati High Court and date of their establishment alongwith number of pending cases

Sl. No.	Place of the Permanent Bench	Date of Establishment	Number of pending cases as on 31-12-1992
1.	Kohima	10-2-1990	494
2.	Aizwal	5-7-1990	239
3.	Imphal	21-1-1992	3,779
4.	Agartala	16-5-1992	3,642

(c) Names of the present Judges of the Guwahati High Court, date of appointment and date of retirement

Sl. No.	Name of the Judge	Date of appointment	Date of Retirement
	S/Shri Justices		
1.	U. L. Bhatt	18-09-1980	14-10-1995
2.	R. M. Singh	21-11-1984	2-2-1994
3.	S. N. Pukhan	11-10-1985	1-4-1999
4.	J. Sangama	23-7-1986	1-3-1995
5.	S. K. Hom Chaudhury	5-12-1988	1-3-1996
6.	W. A. Shishak	2-1-1989	1-1-2003
7.	H. K. Sema	24-5-1989	1-6-2005
8.	Smt. Meera Sharma	24-5-1989	4-11-1999

9.	D. N. Baruah	14-11-1991	1-3-1997
10.	S. B. Roy	14-11-1991	28-1-2007
11.	N. G. Das	14-11-1991	20-4-1998
12.	J. N. Sarma	7-5-1993	1-11-2002

(d) and (e) The sanctioned strength of the Guwahati High Court is 16 Judges. At present, 12 Judges are in position, leaving 4 vacancies. The process of consultation among the concerned constitutional authorities for filling up the existing vacancies is underway. It is not possible to suggest the time which will be taken to fill up the said vacancies.

Professional Misconduct by a Supreme Court Advocate

4330. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any specific complaint of professional misconduct by one Supreme Court Advocate-on-record Mr. Dinesh Kumar Garg was received by the Bar Council of India in December, 1990, if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) what action has been taken so far on the said complaint;

(c) the reasons for the inordinate delay in disposing the said complaint now pending for more than 2½ years;

(d) what steps Government propose to take for the speedy disposal of the said complaint; and

(e) whether Supreme Court has any specific rules/procedure to entertain the complaints of professional misconducts against its own advocates-on-record, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(e) No, Sir.

Furnishing of wrong information by M/s. Puralator India Ltd., New Delhi

4331. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Company Secretary of M/s. Puralator India Ltd., New Delhi is violating all the norms/guidelines issued by the Institute of Company Secretary of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the company secretary is authenticating incorrect/misleading cost audit statements and is also indulging in the furnishing of wrong information to the various departments of the Government of India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and whether the Institute of Company Secretary propose to conduct an enquiry against him and to revoke its diploma/degree issued to him, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No such instance has been brought to the notice of the Institute of Company Secretary of India.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The cost audit order issued in April, 1992 to the company in respect of paper product was withdrawn in August, 1992. Therefore, instances of authenticating incorrect/misleading cost audit statements by the Company Secretary of the company do not arise. No instances of furnishing of wrong information by the Company Secretary of the company have been brought to the notice of Department of Company Affairs.

(d) Does not arise.

Non-submission of cost audit report by M/s. Puralator India Limited

4332. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the management of M/s. Puralator India Limited, New Delhi and its other units have not been furnishing the Cost Audit Reports in time as per Government rules and regulations during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, unit-wise; and

(c) what action Government have taken or propose to take against the said company for violating rules and regulations in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The cost audit order issued in April, 1992 to the company in respect of paper product for the financial year ended 31-3-1993 and also for ever alternate financial year thereafter con-